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BRUCE WEBSTER, M.D., ELECTED PRESIDENT OF INTERNATIONAL UNION AT GENERAL ASSEMBLY



Dr. Bruce Webster (center) as he assumes presidency of the International Union Against the Venereal Diseases and the Treponematoses in London, England. With Dr. Webster are Dr. Andre Cavillion, Honorary President; Dr. Pierre Durel, a Technical Counselor; Dr. Giovanni A. Canaperia, Secretary General, and Mrs. J. V. Tuller, Assistant Secretary General for the Americas.

Dr. Bruce Webster, Chairman of ASHA's Executive and International Committees, and a Member of the Board of Directors, was elected President of the International Union Against the Venereal Diseases and the Treponematoses at the Union's General Assembly, succeeding Dr. Andre Cavillon, of France. The meetings were held in London, October 13 through 17, 1959.

Dr. Webster was part of the American Delegation which also included Dr. William J. Brown, Chief, Venereal Disease Branch, United States Public Health Service, and Mrs. Josephine V. Tuller, Director, International Division, American Social Hygiene Association.

The International Union is a unique non-governmental organization dedi-

cated to combatting venereal diseases and the treponematoses through a program of education and demonstration evolved through agency and individual consultation and cooperation. It is composed of 64 member agencies in 49 countries.

The Union was founded in Paris in 1923. It has official status with the United Nations Economic and Social Council, and operates through its Headquarters in Paris and Secretariat in Rome, also providing Regional Offices for Europe and the Americas.

ASHA's national office serves as the Regional Office for the Americas, with Mrs. Josephine Tuller as Assistant Secretary General.

The 1959 General Assembly, which was held at the London County Coun-

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National Social Welfare Assembly Meets In New York City

The question of how social welfare agencies can cooperate with other community forces to alleviate critical problems such as inadequate housing, juvenile delinquency and city deterioration was the main topic of discussion at the 15th Annual Meeting of the National Social Welfare Assembly which was held December 8 and 9 at the Biltmore Hotel in New York City.

About 300 lay and professional representatives from organizations throughout the country attended the sessions. Theme for the meeting was "Joining Forces to Combat Community Problems."

Harrison Salisbury, "New York Times" correspondent, delivered the major address, "Mobilizing the City for Its Problems," at the luncheon meeting on December 9. Mr. Salisbury is widely known for his "Times" articles on juvenile delinquency, urban deterioration and other metropolitan problems as well as for his book, "The Shook-Up Generation," which deals with the problems of youth in our cities.

Community leaders presented case illustrations of cooperative action which has met community needs at the opening session which was chaired by Miss Jane Hooey, member of the Assembly executive committee.

The National Social Welfare Assembly was organized in 1945 as a central national planning and coordinating body for the social welfare field.

Through the Assembly, the major voluntary national social welfare organizations, Federal Government agencies and some 250 local communities pool their knowledge and experiences for coordinated program planning.

The American Social Hygiene Association is one of the Assembly's sixty-nine affiliate organizations.

ASHA READING SUGGESTIONS

NEW WAYS IN SEX EDUCATION

"New Ways in Sex Education" by Dorothy Walter Baruch is another useful guide for parents who want to help their small fry toward a better understanding of themselves, their beginnings and growth into maturity. Especially helpful (and often amusing and surprising) are the quotations from parent-child conversations on matters related to sex and human growth.

Emphasis is on the social and psychological nature of sex as well as on the biological.

A section of illustrated stories that may serve as models for giving sex information to children is included.

It is published by the McGraw-Hill

Book Co. of New York City, and sells for \$3.00.

THE PARENT-TEACHER PARTNERSHIP

"The Parent-Teacher Partnership" by Ernest Osborne points up, in a new and refreshing way, the need for good parent-teacher relationships and discusses the reasons why they are often not "good" enough. With the child as focus, both roles are examined—the parents' and the teachers'—with emphasis on the need to narrow the gap between the home and the school.

This would be an excellent pamphlet to read and discuss at a parent-teacher study group.

It is available through the Bureau of Publications, Teachers College, Columbia University, New York, N. Y. Cost is sixty cents per copy.

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cil Hall, was hosted by the British Federation Against the Venereal Diseases.

Sessions were attended by over 125 persons from 26 countries, including representatives from the World Health Organization, UNICEF, and several international nongovernmental organizations.

Some of the papers presented were "Studies of Motivation in Behavior of V.D. Patients"; "A Survey of the Social Status and Sex Habits of a Group of Immigrants," and "The Treponematoses as a World Problem." Other subjects considered were yaws control, promiscuity and prostitution.

Elected to serve with Dr. Webster were: Honorary President, Dr. Andre Cavaillon (France); Secretary General: Dr. G. A. Canaperia (Italy); Vice Presidents: Dr. H. Brun Pedersen (Denmark), Dr. T. Ichikawa (Japan), Dr. A. King (Great Britain), Dr. M. Tottie (Sweden); Assistant Secretaries General: Mrs. J. V. Tuller (U.S.A.), Dr. A. Perdrup (Denmark); Technical Counselors: Dr. W. J. Brown (U.S.A.), Dr. R. Bustillos M. (Mexico), Dr. J. C. Cutler (U.S.A.), Dr. P. Durel (France), Dr. K. Gawalowski (Czechoslovakia), Dr. C. S. Nicol (Great Britain), Dr. P. Vejjabul (Thailand); Treasurer: Dr. G. Tassi (Italy); Legal Counselor: Mr. J. Pfeiffer (France); Administrative Secretary: Mrs. M. Huet-Troue (France).

Abstracts of all papers were presented in five languages and original papers were given in both English and French.

Complete proceedings will soon be in print and will be available through the Union's Regional Office for the Americans, 1790 Broadway, New York 19, N. Y.



COMMUNITY CAMPAIGNS

Give...the United way



Mr. Philip Akre (right), ASHA Regional Director for the Central Atlantic, at a recent meeting of the Central Eastern Disciplinary Control Board. With Mr. Akre (left to right) are: Captain W. Cheney, Director of Discipline, Fifth Naval District; Lt.-Colonel H. K. Krohn, President, CEA AFDCB and Acting Provost Marshal, Second United States Army; Commander R. A. Serenberg, Jr., Chief Personnel Officer, Third Coast Guard District, and Major F. B. Winch, Provost Marshal, Fourteenth Air Force.

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Lyman S. Ford Named Executive Director Of United Community Fund And Councils Of America

Lyman S. Ford has been named executive director of United Community Funds and Councils of America, the national organization serving 2,100 United Funds, Community Chests and Community Welfare Councils in the United States and Canada. He will assume his new duties July 1, 1960.

The announcement was made by John A. Greene, Cleveland, Ohio, president of United Community Funds and Councils of America.

Mr. Ford has been an associate executive director of the association since February, 1950. He succeeds Ralph H. Blanchard, who retires June 30, 1960. Mr. Blanchard has been executive director since 1943 and has served in an administrative capacity since 1928.

Mr. Ford joined the staff of UCFCA in 1942, and has held a variety of po-

sitions with the national association. He has been one of two associate executive directors with supervision over the Community Planning Division and several of the operating departments, and has also been responsible for the general administration of the association.

Mr. Ford's experience prior to 1942 included four years as executive of the Evanston, Ill., Community Chest and Council of Social Agencies; five years as executive of the Community Chest Association of Kansas City, Kan., and two years as publicity director of the Columbus, Ohio, Community Fund and Council.

He is a graduate of Denison University, Granville, Ohio, and received his Master of Arts degree from the Ohio State University School of Social Administration. Mr. Ford is married and resides in Scarsdale, N. Y.

Lincoln Frazier Elected to ASHA Board of Directors



Lincoln Frazier

Lincoln Frazier, prominent Marquette businessman, was elected to the Board of Directors of the American Social Hygiene Association, Frank H. Heller, Association president, has announced.

Mr. Frazier is a member and past president of the Marquette Chamber of Commerce, a member of the Board of Directors of St. Louis Hospital and of the Bay Cliff Health Camp of Marquette.

He has also been extremely active in the Boy Scout movement, Marquette's United Fund Campaigns, has served as a member of the Charter Commission and is currently Northern Peninsula Chairman for 1960 "Michigan Week."

ASHA Affiliates In Action

Mrs. Elizabeth S. Force, ASHA associate director of education, recently presented an address on the role of the school in the sexual guidance of youth as part of a ten-lecture series on "Sex Guidance and Training for Personal and Family Living" currently being sponsored by the Social Hygiene Society of the District of Columbia.

The program, which was held in the Medical School of Howard University on November 10, was attended by about 160 civic leaders who are working in schools, churches, boys' and girls' clubs and social agencies.

The Health Education and Venereal Disease Council of Los Angeles has initiated a series of institutes on VD education and control for secondary school personnel. Each institute is designed as a general "refresher" on the major aspects of VD control and education, and features a showing of "The Innocent Party," facts on national and local trends with focus on "teen-age VD" and its special problems; the medical facts of diagnosis and treatment, and a review of educational materials on VD for use in the secondary schools.

Institutes were held in November, and are planned for December, January and March.

ASHA Awards "A" To Richmond, Va.

Commercialized prostitution is almost unheard of in Richmond, Va., according to the report of a recent survey conducted there by the American Social Hygiene Association.

An Association spokesman said that its investigators had covered all likely spots and had been unable to discover any prostitution or allied vice.

ORTHOPSYCHIATRIC ASSOCIATION TO MEET

More than 4,000 specialists in the behavioral sciences from all parts of the United States and Canada will focus on mental health problems of the community and society at the 37th annual meeting of the American Orthopsychiatric Association on February 25-27, 1960, at the Sherman Hotel, Chicago.

Psychiatrists, psychologists, psychiatric social workers and educators as well as interested laymen will attend scientific sessions and workshops on currently important topics, including problems of adolescence, childhood psychoses, brain damage, the impact of segregation on child development, adult therapy and proposed legislative measures related to juvenile delinquency.

Dr. John W. Ferree Heads NSPB

John W. Ferree, M.D., assumed the post of executive director of the National Society for the Prevention of Blindness, effective September 14.

He succeeds Franklin M. Foote, M.D., who resigned to accept the position of Commissioner of the Connecticut Department of Health. Dr. Foote had been with the National Society since 1946.

Dr. Ferree was formerly Associate Medical Director of the American Heart Association, and has served as Educational Consultant with the American Social Hygiene Association.

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